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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

It may be bad form to begin a letter with an apology, but I think it is called for now. In going through my correspondence file I realize that I promised to obtain for you some writings by Bringuier. I completely forgot. There is no excuse whatsoever, just my own foolish mishandling. It turns out that it was not Bringuier at all -- it was Penabaz -- but that does not excuse my lapse of memory. My face is very red over this, particularly since you are known as being extremely generous with your time and information.

Enclosed is a memo to go with the Alvarez correspondence Gary Schoener sent you a while back. At the moment, I would rewrite two parts:

1. Further research indicates that bullet shock waves decay quite rapidly, raising the question of whether Zapruder would have heard a sharp crack from the vicinity of the limousine at all. If not, and if the oscillations represent shots (which I doubt) then the shots were fired even earlier than my calculations indicate.
2. It may well be that film could flutter laterally with respect to the lens. This would account for the oscillations, and would vitiate my section on Thompson.

I am still working on these two considerations. If you have any opinions on the Alvarez business, I would appreciate knowing them.

Gary tells me that CCUP d'ETAT is in the final stages of preparation. If I remember correctly, one of the unpublished CD's in reference to the Miami tape mentions a Texas KKK leader named J.E. Davis, of Dallas. Either this is a mistake or there is another Davis floating around. The Un-American Activities Committee report on the KKK refers to a Roy E. Davis of Dallas. I was unable to find any reference to anyone by that name in the HUAC hearings, so I presume the source for the information was another agency, probably the FBI.

Sincerely yours,


George E. Rennar